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REACTION TO BHUTTO'S SENTENCE

TORONTO: Reaction among Pakistani-Canadians to Bhutto's death sentence has been generally mixed. There are some who genuinely believe that this would not achieve anything and his death may lead to further violence. There is a small band of professionals, however, who are squeezing out cheap publicity for themselves out of this affair.

A fairly substantial group feels that Bhutto's sentence must be carried out in order for justice to be done and to rid Pakistan from any future rule by such men.

In Toronto about 20-30 Pakistani-Canadians also protested on March 19th outside

City Hall. In the House of Commons, former prime minister Diefenbaker presented a motion to plead for Bhutto's life and was carried unanimously.

NEW YORK: Reports have come from New York also where Pakistanis have protested about Bhutto's sentence.

LONDON: On March 24, 78, about 2000 Pakistanis in London, England protested outside the Pakistan Embassy where 22 people were arrested in clashes with police.

Apeals for mercy have come from almost all over the world including the Middle East, Turkey, Iran and the United Nations.

In an interview to British Commercial television, Gen. Zia, the CMLA dismissed as absurd any suggestion that the military authorities in anyway influenced the decision of the court. He said it upholds the supremacy of law.

Resentment among political leaders and military authorities in Pakistan is growing due to external criticism of the Court's ruling. It is seen as an attempt to interfere in the internal affairs of Pakistan.

About 1500 Indians marched towards Pakistan to "Save Bhutto" but were stopped at the borders. The Indian government has refrained from interfering or commenting on the situation.

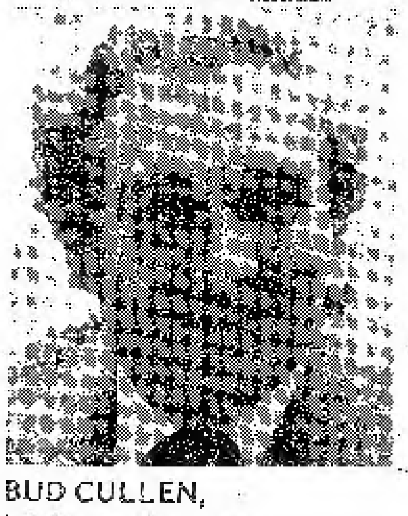
Zia to Visit this month Saudi Arabia

The Chief Martial Law Administrator, General Zia-ul-Haq, is to pay a three-day visit to Saudi Arabia in the middle of this month.

This will be the CMLA's first official visit to Saudi Arabia though he paid two informal visits to that country over the past nine months.

New Immigration Act becomes effective April 10

The new immigration act went into force on April 10, 78, and contains several clauses which must be borne in mind by people who hold landed status in Canada.



BUD CULLEN,
Minister, Employment and Immigration

The new immigration policy will be guided by demographic and economic considerations in the country.

Matters affecting individuals with landed status or on visitor's visa must bear the following in mind:

— Any permanent resident leaving Canada for an extended period must obtain a 'returning resident's permit'.

— Permanent residents (i.e. landed immigrants) away from Canada for 183 days in any 12 month period may lose landed immigrant status.

— Visitors to Canada cannot change their status once in Canada. People wishing to become students (those on visitor's visa) will have to leave Canada and then apply for changed status.

— Canadian citizens and permanent residents can now sponsor their parents of any age.

— Residents wishing to sponsor relatives must sign a declaration to take responsibility for relatives' support for ten years.

[Crescent will be publishing more details about immigration regulations in following issues. Please write your queries to us and indicate if you do not want your name to be published with any particular question.]

What is Terrorism? See page 5

Community News

Imam of Ka'baa delivers Friday Khutba in Toronto, Urges Unity among Muslims

From Crescent Correspondent

TORONTO: The Imam of Ka'baa, Shaikh Abdul Aziz delivered the Friday, Khutba on March 10, 1978 in which he stressed Muslim unity and expressed the hope that Muslims would bring out the positive aspects of others' lives rather than talk about the negative.

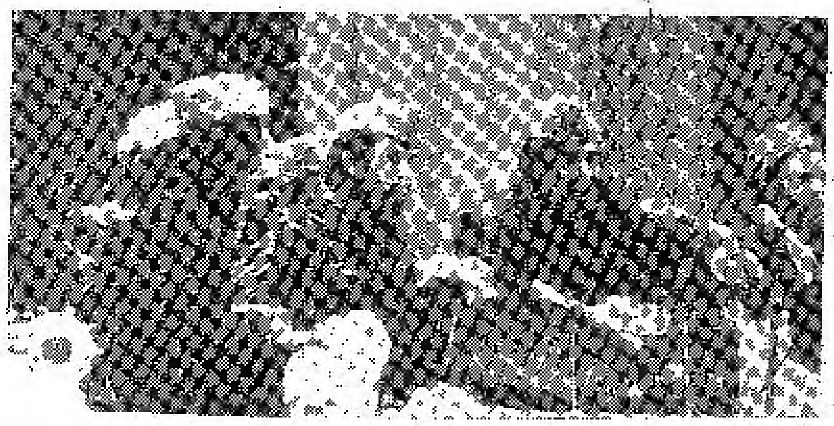
The Imam stressed the concept of "Tauba" which Allah in His Infinite Glory would always accept from a Muslim if sincerely asked for.

The Imam was visiting Toronto briefly following his trip to New York and returned the same day. He was accompanied by Dr. Ahmed Tatunji and two other guests.

After the Juma Prayers, which the Imam led, he briefly met Muslim brothers and sisters at the mosque and toured the mosque. He was briefed about the extension work being carried out in the mosque for a library and certain other renovations.

The guests later left for New York.

Sabri Brothers Enchant 1000 but only briefly



Toronto (March 12): The famous Sabri Brothers Qawwals enchanged 1000 people at U of T auditorium on Sunday, March 12, 78, but according to comments from the floor the programme was too short.

In the highly emotional atmosphere, the Sabri brothers played extremely fine devotional music, in perfect rhythm and harmony and the crowd loved it. Some were even confused and started to jump and dance as if it was light entertainment.

The Attorney General of Ontario, Mr. Roy McMurtry welcomed the Sabri Brothers to the province of Ontario on behalf of his colleagues in the legislature. Other guests included Mr. Walter Pitman, Ms. Anne Cools (prospective Liberal candidate for Rosedale) and Mr. Warner of the NDP.

The programme due to commence at 6 p.m. started at 7 p.m. and concluded at 9 p.m. but the crowd insisted on an extra half hour so the Sabri brothers continued. In appreciation, people generously offered money to the Qawwals, a tradition on such occasions.

700 Attend Pakistan Day Celebrations

Minister of Multiculturalism stresses Democracy & Freedom in Canada during Pakistan Day Celebrations

DOWNSVIEW: Pakistani-Canadians celebrated Pakistan Day at York University on Saturday, March 18, 78. Over 700 people packed the huge theatre in Curtis Lecture Hall where along with Chief guest, Hon. Norman Cafik, Minister of State for Multiculturalism, Dr. Farouk Rana, Charge d'Affairs at the Pakistan Embassy and Bob Kaplan, MP for the constituency also attended.

In his address for the occasion, Mr. Cafik outlined four basic principles that governed Canada. He said "We have a free society so you retain your own culture". The other three included a democratic system, the policy of two equal languages and Multiculturalism. Stressing his role as the minister responsible for multiculturalism, he said, "I have to be assured that all Canadians, regardless of their ethnic or religious background are given an opportunity to be represented in every walk of life in Canada. We can provide an example which would be the envy of the world."

During his welcoming address, Mr. Shamim Shaikh, one of the organisers brought up the question of Mr. Bhutto's sentence passed by the full bench of the Lahore High Court on March 17, 78. There was an immediate, although mixed reaction in the 700 participants, the majority of whom did not seem to think that this was too serious.

Hon. Norman Cafik

In reply, Dr. Farouk Rana pointed out that for the first time in Pakistan's history, it was established that no one was above the law. It had become customery with past regimes to consider one man as the sole authority for the country; there was no accountability. Now all this was changing.

Later Bob Kaplan thanked Mr. Asif Khan for his efforts in organising both this programme as well as his contributions to the Liberal party in that riding, of which he was a constituent and a member.

Unfortunately the programme was then allowed to become confused as the chief guest left and people started walking and chatting around the hall. This lasted until ten when people once again settled down to enjoy some light music.

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Scholarship to Study Islam

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In Saudi Arabia, students will be enrolled at the University of King Abdul Aziz, in Mecca, for up to five years. Students in Jordan will be sent to either the Jordanian University, in Amman, for five years, or to the College for Islamic Studies, for three years.

Those interested should write to Br. G. Attar-Hassan, P.O. Box 4209, Station E, Ottawa, Ontario K1S 2L0.

Canadian Muslim Youth Conference

The first Canadian Muslim Youth Conference being organized by the OMA's Youth Committee, will be held in the third weekend of May. The highlights are:

THEME: Muslim youth and their destiny in a Multi-cultural Society.

DATES: May 19-22 (long weekend)

PLACE: Ottawa

Delegates from all Muslim communities in Canada are expected to participate. Further information from Br. Siraj Khiji, 6267 Vorlage Dr., Orleans, Ontario K1C 2E4 Phone: (613) 824-1540

OMA Newsletter

Election Results of Canada-Pakistan Association of Ottawa-Hull 1977-78

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These elections were held in February 1978 and office-bearers hold office for one year's duration.

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Mr. Bhutto's Sentence

In Pakistani circles today, the burning question being discussed is "The Death Penalty — to Mr. Bhutto."

As the Easter holidays approached curious Pakistanis were busy searching local media about any hints or a newsflash regarding news from Pakistan. Over the friendly gatherings of Pakistani families, or through phone calls the community had a hot topic to discuss. Well before the deadline here breaks the news – the Man of no word has proved to be the same. He who once declared that he had no trust in the members of the Judiciary and who would never bow to their decision and would face the death penalty was now going to make an appeal to the supreme court. Perhaps Qaid-e-Awan, still lives in some illusion — he things people of Pakistan are with him — soon the news would break "the rivers of Punjab will be running with blood" (quote Benazir Bhutto) or some foreign power will intervene and let him loose again to conduct his juggiary. But the authorities ensured every measure and to the distaste of Bhutto's lobby here in Toronto and in Pakistan, no serious incidents occurred. "Sher Shohar" is going to plead for mercy to the higher court and the brave wife as usual accused the authorities of poisoning her husband.

Bhutto's lobby has been fairly active lately in Toronto, surely they have never been the representatives of the Pakistani Community. This was reflected when the majority of the audience in Curtis Hall at 'Pak Day' applauded and cheered when they heard the news about Bhutto's death penalty. Later on, the very next day, our Community made a very poor response to the CALL 'March of Freedom for Bhutto,' from City Hall, Toronto.

Let us not be misled by the propaganda machinery — a last minute effort to create a false image for 'the man behind the bars' — to prove him innocent, patriotic or a great muslim leader, a lion-hearted and a great statesman of this century, etc., etc.

So it is important to keep the true picture of this man in mind.

SHARIA LAWS

Laws of Sharia have been implemented and the Courts have started functioning accordingly. Some people have already been hanged for committing murders or taking part in them. Mr. Bhutto's case should be no exception. Otherwise even these Sharia Laws for which several thousand people died in March 1977 would wind up for the Poors only.

During the month of March 1977 and immediately following that Pakistan was once again at the cross roads — the Nation had been asked for more sacrifices to oust the man who prevailed a reign of terror during his six years and was about to start another phase of dictatorial rule.

Let us not forget the kind of man he was and is; let us ask ourselves — who is this man

1. Who promised the people that he would disclose the Secrets of Tashkand during the Election campaign of 1970; after he got hold of the Chair, did he ever reveal those secrets?

2. Who invented "Roti, Kapra and Makan" slogan? Did people actually get those things during his six years of rule?

3. Who played an important role in the dismemberment of Pakistan? If not Mr Bhutto — then who said in 1970 — "Udher Tum, Idher Ham" and "Whoever goes to East Pakistan I'll break his legs" — and what happened to Hamud-Ur-Rehman Commission's Report? — Who tore off a UN Resolution which could have saved Pakistan from a shameful defeat?

4. Who master-minded the Dalai Camp? Who murdered, kidnapped and tortured opposition leaders?

5. What was the real task of FSF while police and Armed forces were already there? Not only it was too large a burden on our trembling and sinking economy but also their barbaric use will NOT be forgotton for years to come?

6. What was the number of people who were outraged after March Election? Were they not in millions? Had they all been brought by some foreign power?

7. Who created Sindhi-Urdu language disturbances?

8. How good a Muslim is he? How strictly did he follow the Islamic code of LIFE. Who openly declared, "I drink wine and not the Blood of the people"?

9. Was Islamic Conference in essence a spirit of Muslim Brotherhood or just another platform being staged to stamp the dismemberment of Pakistan by recognizing Bangladesh?

10. Who declared the Thousand Years War with India and later on dined with the Indians at Simla selling Kashmir and its People?

11. Who dismissed 1300 civil servants in 1971 without trial and explanation?

12. Who once said in an interview, "Pakistan is a Toy in his hand. If he is removed he will break that toy"?

All the sacrifices in 1947, 1948, 1965, 1971 and were they being made for a Toy in a juggler's hand? Do we want him to be imposed on our heads again? It is a moment for every concerned Pakistani to think about and very seriously.

Hasni,
Toronto.

Interference gross injustice to family

LAHORE, April 5: Mr. Ahmad Raza Kasuri, former MNA and son of late Nawab Mohammad Ahmad Khan of whose murder former Prime Minister Z.A. Bhutto and four others were convicted by Lahore High Court, today said any direct or indirect interference from any quarter, till the murder case is finally decided by the Supreme Court would be an act of gross injustice to the aggrieved family.

In an appeal sent to Ambassadors and heads of diplomatic missions based at Islamabad Mr. Ahmad Raza Kasuri said "Let the justice take its normal course without let or hindrance."

He said he had seen the mercy appeal call issued by some world leaders in my late father Nawab Mohammad Ahmad Khan's murder case in which the Full Bench of the Punjab High Court pronounced unanimous judgment on March 18, 1978, and awarded death sentence to Mr. Z.A. Bhutto and four other accused for the offence of murder in accordance with law of the land.

He said: "I am not addressing this letter to you because the deceased was my father and that I happened to be complainant in the above noted case. I am also not writing this letter because that "death trap" was prepared and planned for me but in turn my innocent father was killed whose only fault in life was that he happened to be the father of a Parliamentarian who would criticise Mr. Bhutto's regime.

Pak-Afghan understanding improves: Daoud

PESHAWAR, April 8: Afghan President Mohammad Daoud has said that a "better understanding" had been established between Pakistan and Afghanistan, Radio Kabul reported this evening.

In an interview to a Kuwaiti journal, President Daoud however said that a "political problem" existed between the two countries and hoped that "we would succeed in resolving this problem in an atmosphere of friendship."

He said a day would come when there would be no dust on friendship between the two countries.

A significant improvement was already there, he remarked.

He said it was the policy of Afghanistan to have friendship and understanding with all neighbouring countries.

President Daoud also replied to various other questions ranging from Arab-Israel confrontation to slumping down of dollar.—APP.

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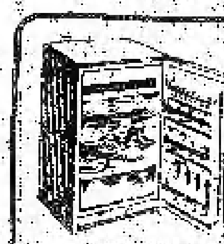

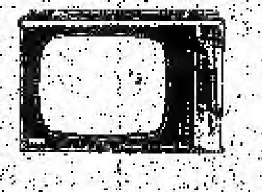

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A Case of Conviction

Reactions to Bhutto's conviction on a murder charge with four others, by the full bench of the Lahore High Court on March 17, 78, has been mixed. In some quarters it has been dubbed as a political trial and motivated by considerations other than justice. Such talk is dangerous and ought to be discouraged.

The complete transcript of the trial is not available; even all avenues of legal pursuit have not been exhausted. The appeal is under consideration by the Supreme Court of Pakistan and it would not be prudent to jump to any conclusions without the benefit of the Supreme Court ruling.

Those who are getting hysterical about Bhutto's conviction on a murder charge and the death sentence follow a curious argument. The concern appears to be most pronounced about Bhutto's fate. That there are four others who are also under the shadow has not aroused much concern. So all the hue and cry is not based on humanitarian principles. By attempting to discredit the whole judicial system, Bhutto's supporters are trying to undermine the very concept of law in Pakistan. While the judicial profession is not flawless, it is a well-known fact that they have maintained a largely fair and untainted record in extremely difficult circumstances. This particular trial lasted over five months with all facilities extended to the defence. That during Bhutto's civilian role, people were tried by special tribunals or worse still, some did not even have the benefit of a trial, should not be a consideration here.

If the Supremacy of Law is to be established in Pakistan let it rest on two principles: the process of law should be respected by all and that everyone, big or small, rich or poor must get the same treatment.

Those who advocate anything otherwise are either not concerned about the welfare of the people of Pakistan or have ulterior motives ot pursue. The fate of Pakistan does not hinge on the well-being of one man: let the law take its course and let justice be done. No man is indispensable for as Charles DeGaulle pointed out: the graveyard is full of indispensable people.

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West Indies - Javed Iqbal.

The Ontario Family Law Reform Act

(Canadian Scene)—Ten years in the making, the Ontario Family Law Reform Bill of 1978 is all about the family. In particular, it's about property rights and support obligations if and when a marriage breaks up.

The legislation will replace archaic family property and support laws, and is designed to provide an "equitable" settlement of affairs when a marriage or common-law relationship breaks up. Because the law gives the judges enormous discretionary powers to decide on the settlements, the judges, in the final analysis, are the key to making it work.

The principles and main thrust of the bill, are based on recognition of marriage as a partnership between a man and a woman who are equal. In the event of marriage breakdown, the legislation says they have an equal right to share in the property, owned by either of them, which is a family asset.

The Bill 59, family assets are defined as the matrimonial home, cottage, car, household items and household bank account. The court considers what contributions each has made to the marriage, how long the marriage has lasted, what each brought into it, and may decide that a 50-50 split isn't fair. The court may also order any property not defined as a family asset to be shared.

The contributions of a woman who stays at home raising the children are recognized in the bill. As well, support obligations are equalized, in that for the first time in the province, a man will be able to claim support from his wife.

Conduct in the marriage will no longer be the basis for a judge's deciding to deny or award support payments. Judges will be directed to consider an "unconscionable" course of conduct, not just of the applicant for support—usually the woman—but of both spouses. The judge will also be able to decide to raise a support payment in cases where conduct is considered.

Parents of disabled children will be under an obligation to support their children until age 18 if they are in school, and until 16 if they have left home. This clause resulted from earnest petitions from the disabled to the effect that they would rather retain their independence with disability pensions than be forced into dependence on their parents.

The office of the Attorney-General now must inform all lawyers in the province by letter of the March 31 commencement date. Attorney-General Roy McMurtry is confident that the legislation will be passed in time. As he says, the House has long recognized that the bill is "progressive and necessary legislation."

'Clear Picture' on National Govt. soon

MUZAFFARABAD: Sardar Abdul Qayyum Khan, President, All Jammu and Kashmir Muslim Conference, said today a clear picture may emerge shortly in regard to the proposal for the formation of a National Government.

Talking to PPI here today he said that so far his round of consultations with various political leaders in the country augured well for his initiative to secure political consensus for a National Government. Asked whether his party being a component of Pakistan National Alliance would you join the proposed National Government: he posed the question "Should we"?

Sardar Qayyum who arrived here last evening at the invitation of the National Students Federation to address its meeting would pick up the thread of talks with rest of political leaders in Pakistan on his return to Rawalpindi tomorrow.

Last evening he had an hour's meeting with the Azad Kashmir Chief Executive over the process of accountability, besides a number of other administrative matters. Questioned about the form of Government, he said, he personally liked the Presidential system because parliamentary system has failed to stand the political test. Replying to another question Sardar Qayyum said he was striving for the restoration of his legal rights in Azad Kashmir for which a writ petition had already been filed. —PPI

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Letters to the editor

Dear Sir:

It is great to read about Bhutto's life only after his downfall or discuss at every get-together how bad things are in Pakistan or what is wrong with Western Culture.

I have great doubts in my mind if this trend or attitude really serves the cause of democracy in Pakistan or the best interest of the Pakistani community abroad.

I wonder where were all these people when Bhutto was in power I know the press was gagged in Pakistan, but the foreign press was not. Perhaps our journalists should spend some time exposing other parties and individuals now, before it is too late again.

It is true that in Pakistan there are problems and difficulties but that is not the end of the world. We could serve the cause of Pakistan by writing constructive articles on economics, development, education, etc.

What is most disconcerting is the attitude of our people. What is wrong with this culture? We have to ask ourselves whether we came here as correctional officers on morality or have other objectives like education and obtaining suitable jobs.

A critical attitude will cause more isolation, misunderstandings and problems for newcomers and those who are struggling to obtain their objectives.

It is the responsibility of the community to give newcomers a healthy attitude to adjust to.

I would urge everyone to write how they did a good job or got a better education. Others will appreciate this and the Crescent should devote 2 full pages for this purpose as a service to the Community.

I would suggest the following to people going for interviews: Be on time; dress properly, smile and think positively. Do not expect to land a job on the first interview. Even if the answer is negative thank them for their time, shake hands firmly with a smile and always use a closing line before departure, e.g. 'If you are taking (or intend taking) any courses mention it. Do not forget many employers intentionally read negatively to see your reaction.

I would once again urge all readers to think positively and write about what will help the community.

Yours truly,
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What is Terrorism?

HIS LAST FARE was an Israeli bomb. Lebanese taxi driver's corpse in Damour after the Jewish attack

Thirty six Israelis are killed in a guerrilla raid when eleven Palestinians commandeer two Israeli buses in Tel Aviv.

Halim Ezzedin, a Lebanese villager is killed by Israeli bombardment in southern Lebanon; a five-year old Lebanese girl is crushed to death under an advancing Israeli tank in southern Lebanon; a one-year old child's belly is ripped open and one arm lost in an Israeli air raid; over 700 Palestinian refugees and Lebanese civilians are killed in Israeli ground, air and naval bombardments.

What is terrorism?

In a fit of self-righteous orgasm the "civilized" west finds the Palestinian raid into Israel a dastardly and cowardly act, a reprehensive and barbaric act but the same adjectives do not apply to Israeli raids and assaults. Why are Israeli deaths so sad and must be condemned but Palestinian and Lebanese lives do not have any value? Why is individual terrorism so much more reprehensible than state terrorism, aided and abetted by a super power?

The circumstances surrounding the Palestinian raid into Israel are unclear; the eleven guerrillas who commandeered two buses were fired upon by Israeli police and army from outside and most of the victims, including 9 out of 11 guerrillas killed were in the buses. So why should the Palestinians be condemned for killing 36 Israelis? And what law is it that allows a state to carry out a policy of collective punishment upon refugees and civilians in another country when 11 guerrillas attack two buses?

Concurrent with Israeli assault on Southern Lebanon, South Moluccan gunmen had kidnapped some people in the Netherlands. No one dared suggest an assault upon the South Moluccan community in the Netherlands. This would have been condemned as barbaric; why should the Israelis be justified in carrying out revenge raids against civilians?

Over 150,000 Lebanese civilians have become refugees, southern Lebanon is under Israeli occupation and there is no end in sight to Israeli aggression. The Palestinians will not disappear by military might or calling them terrorists; the real terrorists are those who drop bombs from the sky or sea at civilians, mostly women, old men and young children and refuse to accept the rights of others.

BLINDFOLDED PAIR of prisoners taken by Israeli troops captured inside Lebanese territory. They were

A New Multicultural Program

John Best, Canadian Scene's Parliamentary Correspondent

The Government announced recently what it called a new and expanded program of help for multicultural activities in Canada.

However, Opposition parties in the House of Commons were quick to diagnose it as a warmed over package designed essentially to attract ethnic votes to the Liberals in the coming federal election, which cannot be far away.

Norman Cafik, minister for multiculturalism, unveiled the package. He told the House the Government will allocate $50 million over the next five years "to encourage equal opportunities for Canada's cultural group to share their rich cultural traditions with all Canadians. The emphasis will be on "unity through human understanding," Mr. Cafik said.

Additional resources in the fiscal year which began April 1 would be $2.5 million. "National ethno-cultural organizations now will have financial assistance available to them toward their operating costs," said the minister. "Also, special consideration can be given now to projects promoting the integration of immigrants. Increased assistance will be provided to all Canadian cultural groups for projects aiding in group development, the performing and visual arts, literary publications, and Canadian ethnic studies."

In over-all budget terms, the program — including funding for multicultural activities through agencies like the National Film Board and the Public Archives — has grown from $8.4 million last fiscal year to $10.2 million this fiscal year. This showed "the deep commitment of the government to this program," Mr. Cafik said. Government aid to cultural groups would continue to proceed on the basis of aid to self-effort.

Commenting on the announcement Gus Mitges, Conservative MP for the Ontario riding of Grey-Simcoe and his party's spokesman for multiculturalism, noted that the $50 million commitment over five years amounts to $10 million a year. This was slightly less than $2 million a year over the present budget. "A $50 million promise really means only a $2 million possibility." The government had promised four years ago to increase the multiculturalism budget to $10 million annually. "It has taken the another pending election to government four years and reiterate this promise."

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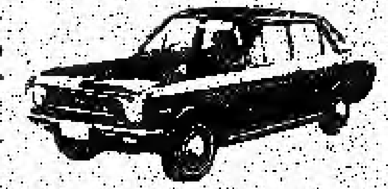

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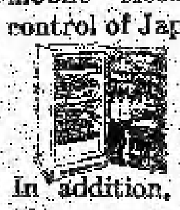

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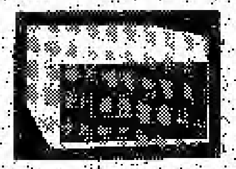

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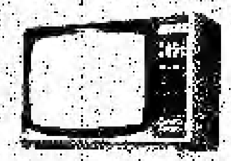

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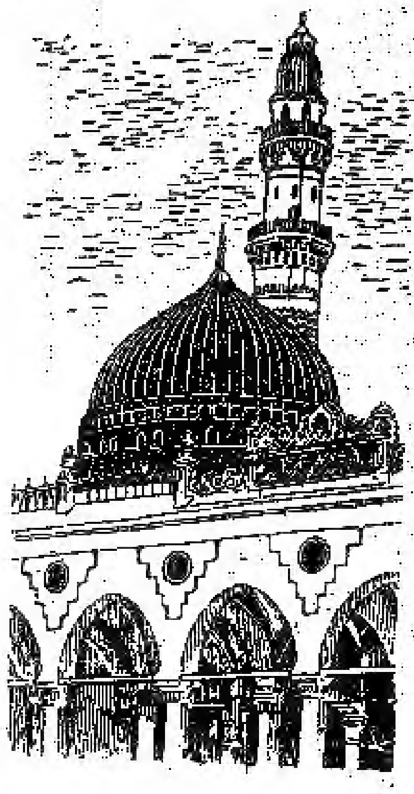


..The two previous articles discussed astronomy in general with emphasis on Islamic astronomy and many Muslim astronomers. Introduced in this article are three great Muslim astronomers whose contributions, spurred Islamic astronomy to its zenith. In addition note is made of Europe's Muslims' contribution to this science.

While there were many Arab Muslims who contributed to the science of astronomy three names stand out as landmarks in this science.

Al-Battani (858-929):

The first is al-Battani (858-929) who earned the title of the best observer of the sky and the best Arab astronomer. Also a mathematician, he published his first book on the fixed stars at the age of 23, in Baghdad. He spent thirty years in observing the heavenly bodies and published many books. The "Alfonsine Tables" of Alfonso of Spain were said to have been taken straight from the "Al-Battani Tables". The Latin translation was printed in 1483 in Venice and afterwards repeatedly translated and published in Europe.

Al-Biruni (973-1048):

The second most important astronomer during the Islamic period was the Arab scientist Al-Biruni (Mohammed ibn Ahmad, known as Abu-Rihan, 973-1048). His main scientific specialization was astronomy and natural sciences. The contribution he made to the fields of astronomy, astrology and cosmology is enormous. The number of his books and tracts is about fifty and the subject matter varies from astrolabes to astrology. Al-Biruni dealt with the conversion of dates and calendars, the measurement of the dimension of the earth and the gravity of a large number of mineral substances. He gave an accurate determination of latitude and longitude, discussed the possibility of the earth's rotation on its own axis and also investigated the relative speeds of sound and light. Of his numerous writings, the two most famous books were "Calculations of Terrestial Dimensions" and "The Visibility of the Moon".

Al-Biruni was also credited for building observatories in several Islamic cities in addition to other contributions in the fields of arithmetic, chemistry, literature, history and geography.

Olug Beg (15th century):

The third name that shines out in the impressive list of Muslim astronomers is Olug-Beg (15th century). He was the ruler of Samarkand, a capital in the empire of Tamerlane which had long been a centre of Arabic civilization.

In Samarkand, he built a madrasa for astronomy that was an extension of the school of Baghdad. The observatory, lodged in a circular building 48 meters in diameter, had instruments of unprecedented quality. The sextant was calibrated in degrees, indicated by engraved bronze plates and can still be seen today in the Soviet Union. It was here that Olug-Beg developed the idea for his famous "Zij-i-Garkani" (Star Tables). His work, which was published in 1437, included an introduction to astronomy, catalogues of the stars and planets, calculation of eclipses and movements of the moon, the longitude and latitude of the main cities of the world, the use of tables and a section of practical astronomical questions. The star tables were a fundamental contribution to Renaissance astronomy. The first royal astronomer of England, John Flamstead (1646-1719) used the tables as a basis for his work.

European credit to Islamic Astronomy:

In the sixteenth century Europe took the torch and the knowledge of astronomy was advanced. Meanwhile the Arab Muslim knowledge in general declined, and despite the rich scientific contribution of the Arab Muslims to astronomy, many modern historians discredit them and some credit them only for keeping the Greek science alive.

One can understand this opinion in the context of the conflict between the East and West. Europe was introduced to the Arab Muslim sciences at the time of the Crusades, the war in Spain and the Mediterranean islands and through the traditional conflict between Byzantium (Christianity) and the Caliphate (Islam). Much of the history of the so called "Dark Ages" has been shrouded. Any real study and research of astronomy will find the contribution of Muslims an important link in the development and advance of this science.

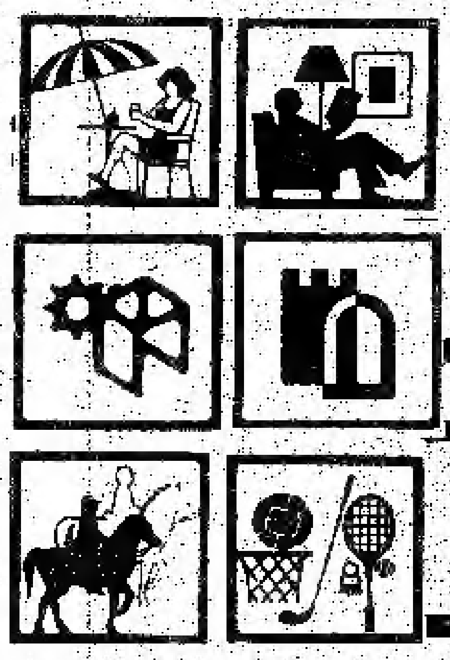
Youth Forum

We are pleased to introduce the "Youth Forum", a new column starting with this issue. We feel that this column can supply enough stimulant to the youth and to even those who think like youth, regardless of their age. It will also help provide common ground for the youth and for the adults to air their views on the varied subjects of common interest. It may even help bridge the generation gap, that is, if you feel that such a thing exists.

Some of the topics that will appear in this column include 'The Muslim teenager', 'Adjusting to a new environment' and 'Our Islamic Heritage'. We hope that this column will create a forum for discussion among the youth and between adults and the youth.

We anticipate that this column will bring the Muslim youth closer and that an association may be formed for them which will involve young people getting together face-to-face and putting forward their views on issues that are important in our society today. We hope to hear your comments on this column.

Naheed Sahba



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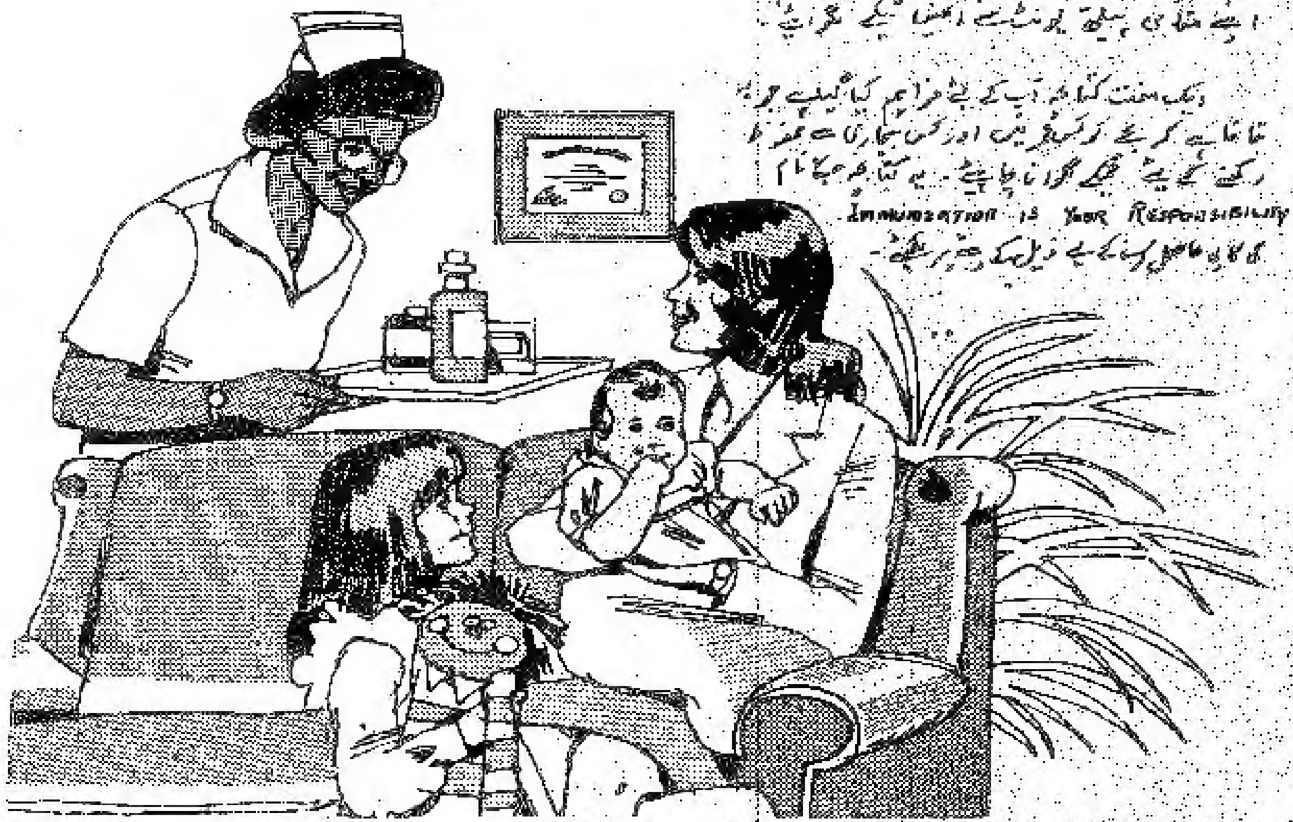

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(شعرائے اُردو کا تاریخ وار سلسلہ)

فیض احمد فیض

ہم پرورشِ لوح و قلم کرتے رہیں گے
جو دل پہ گزرتی ہے رقم کرتے رہیں گے
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ویرانیٔ دوراں پہ کرم کرتے رہیں گے
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دونوں جہان تیری محبت میں ہار کے
وہ جا رہا ہے کوئی شبِ غم گزار کے
ویراں ہے میکدہ، خم و ساغر اداس ہیں
تم کیا گئے کہ روٹھ گئے دن بہار کے
نہ جانے کس لیے امیدوار بیٹھا ہوں
اک ایسی راہ پہ جو تیری رہگزر بھی نہیں
فریبِ آرزو کی سہل انگاری نہیں جاتی
ہم اپنے دل کی دھڑکن کو تری آوازِ پا سمجھے
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ہم اہلِ قفس تنہا بھی نہیں، ہر روز نسیمِ صبحِ وطن
یادوں سے معطر آتی ہے، اشکوں سے منور جاتی ہے
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فیض احمد نام، فیض تخلص، پیدائش ۱۹۱۲ء، وطن سیالکوٹ، ابتدائی تعلیم وہیں حاصل کی پھر گورنمنٹ کالج لاہور سے ایم اے کیا۔ ۱۹۴۱ء میں فیض کا پہلا مجموعہ "نقشِ فریادی" شائع ہوا اور ہندوستان کی ادبی دنیا میں دھوم مچ گئی۔ ۱۹۴۰ء میں دوسری جنگِ عظیم شباب پر تھی، چنانچہ فیض بھی فوج میں ملازم ہو گئے اور ۱۹۴۶ء کے آخر تک فوج ہی میں رہے۔ ۱۹۴۷ء سے ۱۹۵۱ء تک فیض پاکستان ٹائمز، امروز اور لیل و نہار کے چیف ایڈیٹر کی حیثیت سے کام کرتے رہے۔ اسی دوران میں پاکستان سیفٹی ایکٹ کے تحت وہ گرفتار کر لیے گئے۔ راولپنڈی سازش کیس میں ان پر مقدمہ چلا اور ان کو سزا ہوئی۔ فیض کا دوسرا مجموعۂ کلام "دستِ صبا" جیل ہی کی یادگار ہے۔

فیض نے غزل سے ابتدا کی اور آہستہ آہستہ منظومات کی طرف رجحان ہو گیا۔ بحیثیت مجموعی ان کے کلام کو دو حصوں میں تقسیم کیا جا سکتا ہے۔ پہلے دور کی غزلوں میں فیض نے ایک تخیلی دنیا بسائی ہے۔ اس روایتی شاعری میں بھی [illegible] کی انفرادیت برقرار ہے۔ ان کے یہاں ایک مخصوص رنگ و آہنگ ہے اور جذبات کا صحیح و واضح احساس بھی۔ فیض کی شاعری کا دوسرا دور زندگی کے تجربے، مشاہدے اور تجربے کا حاصل معلوم ہوتا ہے جس میں ایک نئی زندگی کا احساس اور اس زندگی کو سنوارنے کی خواہش بھی نظر آتی ہے [illegible] تغزل کے بجائے [illegible] کا عنصر زیادہ ہے۔

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(طنز و مزاح)

چلّو بھر پانی

عطاء الحق قاسمی

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ایک جمہوری قوم

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بھٹو صاحب قانون مکافات عمل کے شکنجے میں بری طرح کسے گئے [illegible]

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بھٹو کی سزائے موت کے معافی کیلئے دنیا بھر سے دانشوروں کی اپیل کر کے یحییٰ بختیار نے اعتراف کرلیا ہے کہ انکا موکل ثابت شدہ قاتل ہے اور قانونی طور پر اس کی بریت کی کوئی امید نہیں ہے

[illegible]

منافق

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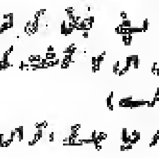

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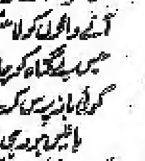

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۲۰ جولائی ۱۹۴۷ء

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قانون سے کوئی بالاتر نہیں، ہر شخص سے انصاف ہونا چاہیے۔ حکومت عدالتوں پر اثر انداز نہیں ہو سکتی۔ اپیل کے فیصلے میں تین سے چھ ہفتے لگ سکتے ہیں

میرے ذہن میں انتخابات کی ایک قطعی تاریخ ہے

ہم جمہوری عمل بحال کرنے کے پابند ہیں، ہم صرف چند ماہ برسر اقتدار رہیں گے

انتخابات کرانے سے انتخابات نہیں ہوتے، مثبت نتائج نکلنے چاہئیں

[illegible]

۱۹۶۵ء کی پاک بھارت جنگ بھٹو کی سازش کا نتیجہ تھی: راؤ فرمان

ایوب خان کو دھوکے میں رکھا گیا۔ بھٹو لاڑکانہ جانے کے بجائے پراسرار طور پر پشاور پہنچ گئے

[illegible]

پاکستان اور افغانستان کے تعلقات بہتر ہونے پر شاہ خالد کا اظہار مسرت

[illegible]

نور خان [illegible] میں زخم کا علاج کرائیں گے

[illegible]

بلوچستان میں ۲۶ افراد پہاڑوں سے اتر آئے

[illegible]

باپ کی جاگیر

[illegible]

نصرت بھٹو کی نظر بندی میں ایک ماہ کی توسیع

[illegible]

ڈاکٹر عبدالخالق کی نظر بندی ختم ہو گئی

[illegible]

احتجاج نے دم توڑ دیا۔ بی بی سی

[illegible]

نصرت بھٹو کی درخواست کی سماعت ملتوی

[illegible]

نکا خان تحفظ امن عامہ آرڈیننس کے تحت قید نہیں

[illegible]

نصرت بھٹو اور بے نظیر کی قیادت میں پیپلز پارٹی کو خطرہ ہے۔ کوثر نیازی

میری برطرفی غیر جمہوری ہے، مرکزی کمیٹی کو خط

مولانا کوثر نیازی

[illegible]

محمود الرحمن رپورٹ میں ملک توڑنے والے کا کوئی ذکر نہیں ہے۔ جنرل ضیا

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بھٹو کی سزا کے بعد مجھے دھمکی آمیز خطوط اور ٹیلیفون موصول ہوئے ہیں: بیوہ محمد احمد

فون پر گندی اور فحش گالیاں دی گئیں، میری بیٹی کو اغوا کرنے کی دھمکی دی گئی، مجھے اللہ کے سوا کسی کا خوف نہیں، ہفت روزہ کو انٹرویو

محمد علی اور شبنم کو بہترین اداکار اور اداکارہ کا ایوارڈ

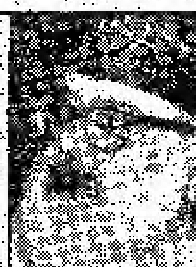
نصرت بھٹو مقدمہ قتل کی ایف آئی آر حاصل کرنے میرے گھر آئی تھیں

[illegible]

بیوہ نواب محمد احمد خان

بھٹو کو سزائے موت میں نرمی کی اپیلیں انصاف کے منافی ہیں

دنیا کا کوئی قانون دان ہائی کورٹ کے فیصلے پر اعتراض نہیں کر سکتا۔ مودودی



"مساوات" کو بلا لائسنس شائع کرنے پر نوٹس

[illegible]

نواب محمد احمد خان کے مقدمہ قتل میں وعدہ معاف گواہ ملک غلام حسین کو ضمانت پر رہا کر دیا گیا

[illegible]

بھٹو کے حق میں جیل میں کھانے پکانے، نہانے دھونے اور رہنے سہنے کے لئے ان کو بہتریاں دے دی گئیں

مچھروں سے بچاؤ کے لئے مچھر دانی اور ہوا کیلئے بجلی کا پنکھا بھی مہیا کر دیا گیا

حکومت مجرم کو بی کلاس قیدی کی سہولتیں دے رہی ہے: سپیشل پبلک پراسیکیوٹر

[illegible]

لاہور میں امریکی قونصل خانے پر بم پھینکا گیا

زبردست دھماکے سے جوری عمارت لرز گئی

[illegible]

ہائی کورٹ کے کھلے مقدمے کی سماعت جاری رکھیں: نوفال

[illegible]

بھٹو کی سزا میں کوئی بیرونی دباؤ قبول نہ کیا جائے

عدالتی فیصلے پر عملدرآمد کرایا جائے۔ جنرل ضیاء کو مدینہ یونیورسٹی کے پاکستانی طلباء کا تار

[illegible]

بھٹو کیس میں قانون کا عمل پورا کیا جائے

امریکہ میں مقیم پاکستانی طلباء کی اپیل

[illegible]

یہ شخص

اپنے عہد حکومت کے آئینے میں

۴ اپریل ۱۹۷۷ء کو لاہور کی سڑکوں پر غریب عوام کی لاشیں ہی لاشیں

میں عوامی مسائل حل کرنے کے لئے قومی حکومت قائم کرنا چاہتا ہوں

قومی حکومت میں شامل افراد کو انتظامی معاملات میں بھی مکمل عمل دخل حاصل ہو گا

[illegible]

اسلامی قوانین عنقریب نافذ کر دئیے جائیں گے: جنرل ضیاء الحق

[illegible]

غیر قانونی ترک وطن کرنے والوں کو قید اور جرمانے کی سزا دی جائے گی

امیگریشن ایکٹ ۱۹۴۸ء میں ترمیم کا آرڈیننس جاری کر دیا

[illegible]

قومی حکومت کے لئے کوششیں تیز کردوں گا، اب مجھے اپنے مشن میں حکومت کی حمایت حاصل ہوگی بہتر نتائج کے بارے میں پرامید ہوں

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سندھ کی صورتحال کا بنیادی سبب سابق حکومت کی پیدا کردہ مقامی و غیر مقامی کے درمیان نفرت ہے

صوبے کی صورتحال اطمینان بخش نہیں لیکن قابو میں ہے، تشدد میں ملوث افراد سے پوچھ گچھ پر بعض حقائق سامنے آئے ہیں

باقی تین صوبوں میں حالات معمول پر ہیں، جنرل ضیاء الحق

ملک کو نقصان پہنچانے کی اجازت نہیں دی جائے گی

نوشیرو نیازی کے بعد سیاسی امیر احمد اور حاجی رحمان بھی قومی حکومت میں شمولیت پر متفق ہوگئے

راولپنڈی میں اعتدال پسند گروپ کے صلاح مشورے ۔ ہمارے بارے میں حکومت کو غلط فہمی ہے، ہم ازرمی ضبط و تحمل کا بھید احترام کرتے ہیں

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لیڈروں کا ردعمل حوصلہ افزا ہے [illegible]

نصرت بھٹو نے مجھے پارٹی سے نکالا میں بھی انہیں نکال سکتا ہوں: کوثر نیازی

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